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SECSTATE FOR A/SY, EUR/X

E.O. 11652: N/A
SUBJECT: BLAST AT USIS/ANKARA

SUMMARY: AT APPROXIMATELY 1855 HOURS 16 FEBRUARY, THERE WAS AN
EXPLOSION BEHIND AND BETWEEN TWO OF THE THREE BUILDINGS
HOUSING USIS IN ANKARA. NO ONE REPEAT NO ONE WAS INJURED
AND THERE WAS ONLY MINIMAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

1. THERE WAS NO ADVANCE NOTICE. UNKNOWN PERSON OR PERSONS
PLACED OR THREW AN APPARENTLY UNCONFINED EXPLOSIVE AT A POINT
BETWEEN USIS BUILDINGS AND A BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION
BEHIND. DAMAGE WAS LIMITED TO GLASS BREAKAGE ON TWO FLOORS
OF ONE USIS BUILDING AND ON SEVERAL FLOORS OF SURROUNDING
STRUCTURES.

2. LOCAL POLICE AND EMBASSY SECURITY RESPONDED QUICKLY.
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AN INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED. DAMAGE IS SO MINOR
THAT RESTITUTION WILL NOT BE SOUGHT.

3. POST MAINTAINS ALL REASONABLE SECURITY PRECAUTIONS.
NO NEW ACTION CONTEMPLATED EXCEPT TO MINIMIZE AFTERHOURS
USE OF BUILDINGS.

4. PRESSPLAY: INCIDENT WAS REPORTED IN THREE OF TURKEY'S
"BIG FIVE" NATIONAL DAILIES, IN ROUNDUPS OF COUNTRYWIDE
ANARCHIC INCIDENTS. REPORTS NOTE YOUTHS HAD ATTEMPTED
DEMONSTRATE IN AREA OF USIS BUILDING; ONE PAPER STATES
EXPLOSION TOOK PLACE "UNDER EYES OF POLICE". REPORTS
POINT OUT NO INJURIES OCCURRED, BUT IMPRESSION IS LEFT OF MORE
DAMAGE THAN ACTUALLY RESULTED. ONE SMALL, ANKARA-ONLY PAPER
STATES LARGE HOLE WAS BLOWN IN FRONT WALL OF USIS BUILDING;
THIS IS COMPLETELY UNFOUNDED.
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